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POULTRY

Washington egg production for March 2006 totaled 111 million, 7 percent less than last year. The total number of layers during March 2006 was 4.82 million, 2 percent lower than the 4.92 million layer total for March of last year. The eggs per hundred layers for Washington averaged 2,305, down 5 percent from March 2005. All layers in the United States on April 1, 2006, totaled 350 million, up 1 percent from a year ago.



LAYER & EGG PRODUCTION, MARCH 2005-2006, SELECTED STATES 1/

State & Year	All Layers 2/	Eggs Per 100 Layers 2/	Egg Production	April 1	
				Being Molted	Molt Completed
	1,000	Number	Millions	Percent	
California					
2005	19,957	2,230	445	7.5	33.0
2006	19,693	2,189	431	5.0	36.0
Iowa					
2005	49,136	2,312	1,136	4.0	35.0
2006	52,147	2,288	1,193	1.5	37.0
Ohio					
2005	28,089	2,271	638	4.0	22.5
2006	29,053	2,261	657	1.5	23.5
Oregon					
2005	2,835	2,328	66	6.5	27.0
2006	2,723	2,350	64	10.0	31.5
Pennsylvania					
2005	24,399	2,398	585	3.0	15.0
2006	23,818	2,381	567	3.5	18.5
Washington					
2005	4,924	2,417	119	8.0	33.0
2006	4,815	2,305	111	5.0	47.0
U. S. TOTAL					
2005	346,959	2,230	7,738	4.1	22.7
2006	350,085	2,239	7,837	2.3	24.9

1/ 2006 preliminary, 2005 revised.

2/ Includes all layers and eggs produced in both table egg and hatching egg flocks regardless of size.

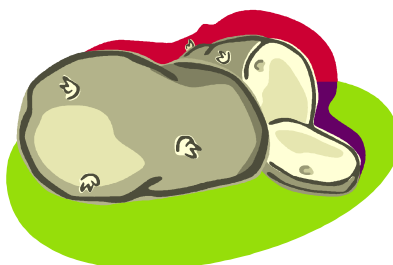
COLD STORAGE

Total fresh apples in storage for Washington on March 31, 2006, totaled 1,869.4 million pounds, (44.5 million boxes), which accounted for 80 percent of the Nation's fresh apples in storage. The quantity in storage was 16 percent below last year's level.

Frozen French Fries in storage for the three Pacific Coast States and eight Mountain States on March 31, 2006, totaled 657.0 million pounds, or accounted for 71 percent of the Nation's French Fries in storage.

STOCKS IN COLD STORAGE, BY STATE & UNITED STATES

Commodity	March 31, 2005	February 28, 2006	March 31, 2006
1,000 Pounds			
Apples, Fresh			
California	18,177	19,641	8,564
Michigan	137,500	158,504	105,340
New York	143,094	155,316	166,862
Oregon	18,919	19,485	15,409
Pennsylvania	111,720	168,714	133,434
Washington	2,223,942	2,492,532	1,869,420
Regular Storage	207,320	288,712	203,485
Controlled Atmosphere	2,588,717	2,915,249	2,227,649
48 States Total	2,796,037	3,203,961	2,431,134
Potatoes, French Fries			
Mountain	176,081	180,292	186,895
Pacific	421,036	464,363	470,051
48 States Total	855,761	918,606	930,477
Potatoes, Total			
Mountain	218,709	232,782	237,755
Pacific	529,275	562,000	568,584
48 States Total	1,093,666	1,147,080	1,159,285



POTATOES

Processors in Washington and Oregon (excluding Malheur County) used 55,320 thousand cwt. of raw potatoes to April 1, 2006, 1,820 thousand cwt. less than the 57,140 thousand cwt. processed during the same period last year, and 3,180 thousand cwt. less than the 58,500 thousand cwt. processed during the same time frame two years ago. Processing to April 1, 2006 in Washington and Oregon (excluding Malheur County) accounted for 47.8 percent of the 2005 production. Dehydrating usage in the nine processing states, excluding starch and flour, accounted for 27,180 thousand cwt. of raw potatoes

FALL POTATO PRODUCTION & STOCKS ON APRIL 1, 2005-2006 1/

State	2004 Crop			2005 Crop		
	Production	Total Stocks April 1, 2005	April 1 Stocks % of Production	Production	Total Stocks April 1, 2006	April 1 Stocks % of Production
	1,000 Cwt.		Percent	1,000 Cwt.		Percent
California	3,648	900	25	3,240	700	22
Colorado	23,791	9,000	38	22,292	7,800	35
Idaho	131,970	52,000	39	116,975	42,500	36
Maine	19,065	7,500	39	15,736	6,800	43
Michigan	13,650	2,200	16	13,920	2,200	16
Minnesota	18,920	6,500	34	17,630	4,500	26
Montana	3,551	1,900	54	3,434	1,700	50
Nebraska 2/	9,288			8,245	2,200	27
New York	5,184	300	6	5,226	500	10
North Dakota	26,765	10,300	38	20,500	4,800	23
Ohio 2/ 3/	1,080					
Oregon	19,775	6,200	31	22,023	8,500	39
Pennsylvania 3/	2,640	500	19			
Washington	93,810	22,000	23	95,480	24,500	26
Wisconsin	30,450	7,200	24	27,880	7,200	26
Other States		2,400				
15 State Total 4/	403,587	128,900	32	372,581	113,900	31

1/ Stocks include processor holdings and most of the seed to plant following year's crop. Seed usage for all seasons in 2005 totaled 24.7 million cwt.

2/ Missing stocks combined into "Other States."

3/ Stock estimates discontinued in 2005.

4/ Thirteen States for the 2005 crop.

POTATOES USED FOR PROCESSING 1/, NINE STATES, 2005 & 2006 CROPS

State	Storage Season	To Dec. 1	To Jan. 1	To Feb. 1	To Mar. 1	To Apr. 1	To May 1	To Jun 1	Total
		1,000 Cwt.							
Idaho & OR (Malheur Co.)	2004-05	10,470	17,390	24,360	30,840	36,820	44,610	51,000	58,090
	2005-06	8,370	15,740	22,590	28,960	35,570	42,800	50,220	-
Maine 2/	2004-05	-	-	1,540	1,970	2,600	3,135	3,700	4,340
	2005-06 3/	-	-	1,290	1,805	2,405	3,015	3,740	-
WA & OR (Other Co.)	2004-05	17,970	24,990	32,305	38,130	43,570	50,730	57,140	63,855
	2005-06	16,620	23,645	30,310	35,895	40,545	48,290	55,320	-
Other States 4/	2004-05	-	-	12,490	15,000	17,965	20,910	24,150	27,480
	2005-06 3/	-	-	11,820	15,030	17,980	21,230	24,055	-
Total Nine States	2004-05	-	-	70,695	85,940	100,955	119,385	135,990	153,765
	2005-06 3/	-	-	66,010	81,690	96,500	115,335	133,335	-
Dehydrated 5/	2004-05	-	-	14,525	18,540	21,875	25,970	30,020	33,685
	2005-06	-	-	12,180	15,920	19,515	23,210	27,180	-

- No monthly data available.

1/ Total quantity received and used for processing regardless of the State in which the potatoes were produced. Amount excludes quantities used for potato chips in ME, MI, and WI.

2/ Includes Maine grown potatoes only.

3/ March revised.

4/ CO, MN, NV, ND, and WI.

5/ Dehydrated products except starch and flour. Included in above totals. Includes CO, ID, NV, ND, OR, WA, and WI.

CATTLE ON FEED, 1,000 HEAD CAPACITY FEEDLOTS, 2006

ITEM	IDAHO	WASHINGTON	U.S. TOTAL
	1,000 Head		
Cattle on Feed, March 1 1/	255	154	12,023
Placed on Feed During March	42	26	1,837
Fed Cattle Marketed During March	45	27	1,958
Other Disappearances during March 2/	2	1	90
Cattle on Feed, April 1 1/	250	152	11,812

1/ Cattle and calves on feed are animals for slaughter market being fed a ration of grain or other concentrates and are expected to produce a carcass that will grade select or better.

2/ Includes death loss, movement from feedlots to pasture, and shipments to other feedlots for further feeding.

MILK PRODUCTION ^{1/}

Item	Month/Year	Idaho	Oregon	Washington	23 State Total 2/
Milk Cows 3/ (1,000 Head)	Mar. 2005	441	121	239	8,099
	Feb. 2006	473	121	236	8,206
	Mar. 2006	475	121	238	8,223
Milk Per Cow 4/ (Pounds)	Mar. 2005	1,880	1,640	2,020	1,707
	Feb. 2006	1,670	1,410	1,790	1,587
	Mar. 2006	1,880	1,610	1,980	1,773
Milk Production 4/ (Million Pounds)	Mar. 2005	829	198	483	13,825
	Feb. 2006	790	171	422	13,022
	Mar. 2006	893	195	471	14,579

1/ 2006 revised.

2/ Twenty-three states include: AZ, CA, CO, FL, ID, IL, IN, IA, KS, KY, MI, MN, MO, NM, NY, OH, OR, PA, TX, VT, VA, WA, & WI.

3/ Includes dry cows. Excludes heifers not yet fresh.

4/ Excludes milk sucked by calves.